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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 3-5, 7-15 and 18-28 were pending in the application, of which claims 4 10-12 and 18-26 have been withdrawn. New claims 29 and 30 have been presented. Thus, claims 3-5, 7-15 and 18-30 are now pending in the application.

Claims 3, 5, 7-9, 13-15 and 27-28 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Havinis (U.S. 6,360,102) in view of Strunk (U.S. 2002/0068551). Claim 3 is amended to specify determining a geographic location of the user by receiving location information provided by a mobile communication device, and receiving, from the user, additional data regarding the user, the additional date being related to the geographic location of the user. Claim 5 is also amended to specify that the information stored in the user specific data space includes additional information related to a the geographic location of the individual associated with the PCD. Applicant believes that Havinis and Strunk fail to teach or suggest the noted limitations of claims 3 and 5.

Havinis is directed to a system for positioning a mobile phone. Referring to column 4, lines 5-27 of Havinis, a user of a mobile phone can define a Subscriber Location Privacy Profile (SLPP), which contains a list of preferred subscribers that have permission to position the mobile phone. Such a list can be stored on the Home Location Register (HLR) or the mobile device itself. Accordingly, a person who is on the SLPP can position the mobile phone by requesting the position from the HLR or the mobile phone. However, Havinis does not teach or suggest receiving, from the user, additional data regarding the user and storing additional data regarding the user in the user-specific space, the additional data being related to a geographic location of the user, as specified in claim 3, and does not teach or suggest that information stored in the user specific data space includes additional information related to a geographic location of the individual associated with the PCD, as specified in claim 5.

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Strunk is directed to a wireless directory information system. Referring to FIGS. 1 and 7-20, and page 2, paragraphs [0017] to [0021], Strunk discloses a wireless directory system 10 having a network station 20 for storing contact information for a user on a network. In paragraph [0017], Strunk discloses the following:

The network station 20 is programmable to receive and store contact information including, but not limited to, the access numbers of any of a plurality of wireless transceivers 30 and contact-identifying information associated with those numbers, e.g., a person's name.

(Emphasis added).

As disclosed in Strunk, "contact-identifying" information associated with a person's access number is received and stored in the network station 20. Strunk identifies the "contact-identifying" information as "wireless number, landline number, fax number, email address, shipping address, vacation number, temporary number, emergency number, personal directory number, and pager number." (See paragraph [0021] and FIGS. 7-20). Accordingly, the "contact-identifying" information stored in and accessed from the network station 20 of Strunk is only directed to information by which one user can contact another user on the network. However, Strunk does not teach or suggest receiving, from the user, additional data regarding the user and storing additional data regarding the user in the user-specific space, the additional data being related to a geographic location of the user, as specified in claim 3, and does not teach or suggest that information stored in the user specific data space includes additional information related to a geographic location of the individual associated with the PCD, as specified in claim 5.

Claim 3 of the present application specifies receiving location information for the user provided by a mobile communication device. In addition to receiving the location information, claim 3 specifies receiving, from the user, additional data regarding the user and storing the additional data regarding the user in the user-specific space, the additional data being related to a geographic location of the user. As described in the foregoing, neither Havinis nor Strunk teaches or suggests receiving from the user additional data being related to a geographic location

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of the user and storing such additional date. Therefore, Applicant believes that claim 3 is patentable over Havinis in view of Strunk.

Similarly, claim 5 of the present application specifies receiving the location and the unique identifier information associated with the PCD, storing the information in a user specific data space, wherein the information stored in the user specific data space includes additional information related to a geographic location of the individual associated with the PCD. As described in the foregoing, neither Havinis nor Strunk teaches or suggests receiving or storing any additional information related to a geographic location of the individual associated with the PCD. Therefore, Applicant believes that claims 5, 7-9 and 13-15 are patentable over Havinis in view of Strunk.

Applicant has presented new claims 29 and 30, which are directed a method of providing contact information regarding a user. Accordingly, Applicant believes that claims 29 and 30 read on Group V identified in the Restriction Requirement of April 4, 2004, and elected for further prosecution on the merits.

Claim 29 specifies, a method of providing contact information regarding a user, the method comprising receiving a plurality of user contact information from the user, each user contact information associated with a location of the user, receiving a request from a requestor of information for user contact information, determining a current location of the user by receiving current location information provided by a mobile communication device, and providing the user contact information associated with the current location of the user to the requestor of information. In contrast Havinis or Strunk does not teach or suggest the method as specified in claim 29.

In Havinis, a person who is on the Subscriber Location Privacy Profile can position the mobile phone. In Strunk, contact information for a user is stored in a network station so as to be accessible by another user on the network. Applicants believe that Havinis and Strunk fail to teach or suggest receiving a plurality of user contact information from the user, each user contact

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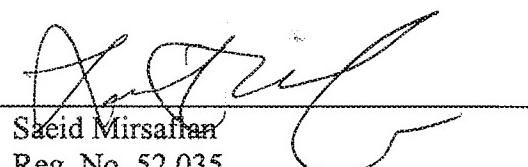
information associated with a location of the user, receiving a request from a requestor of information for user contact information, determining a current location of the user by receiving current location information provided by a mobile communication device, and providing the user contact information associated with the current location of the user to the requestor of information, as specified in claim 29.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant believes that claims 3, 5, 7-9, 13-15, 29 and 30 are in condition for allowance.

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